

DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE
Security Committee

20 March 1979

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Facilities Branch
FROM:
Executive Secretary
SUBJECT: Physical Security Standards

1. At the recent Security Committee Seminar the Principals who participated in Workshop #2 reviewed the USIB Policy Statement Establishing Physical Security Standards for Sensitive Compartmented Information Facilities dated 30 April 1973 and concluded that they were in need of updating. More specifically, the NSA member, who Chaired that Workshop, wondered if we were relying too much on outdated construction specifications and not considering technological advances in material strengths and alarm systems enough.

2. The Workshop members fully concurred in the desirability of reworking these standards and the DIA member presented, as a first cut, a draft update paper. The Workshop, and later the entire Committee, agreed to refer the paper to the Facilities Branch for review, sizing and scoping of the problem. They also desire a recommendation on whether to convene an Ad Hoc Working Group to develop new standards or to have this project handled as a Committee Staff activity.

3. Please review this problem and be prepared to report back to the Committee at their April meeting on our proposed course of action.

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